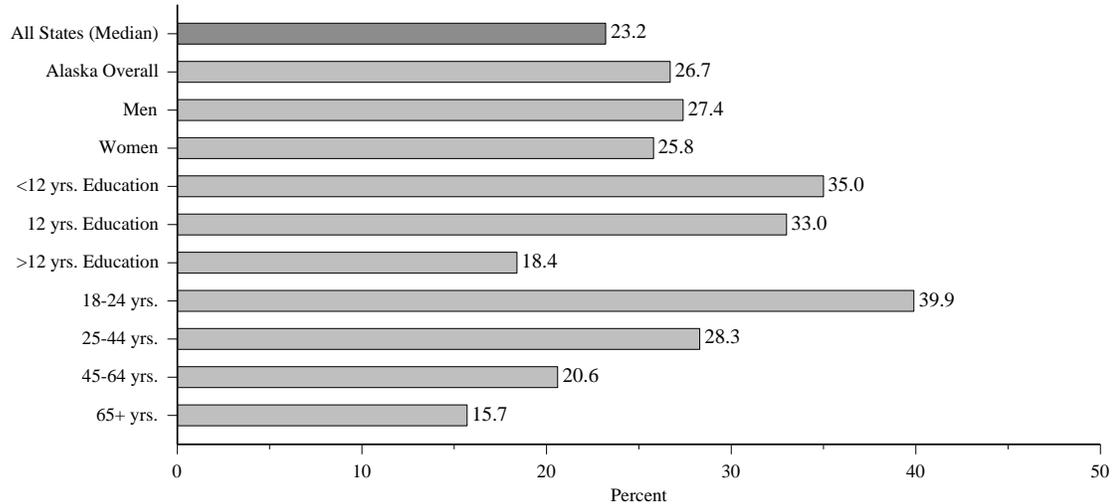


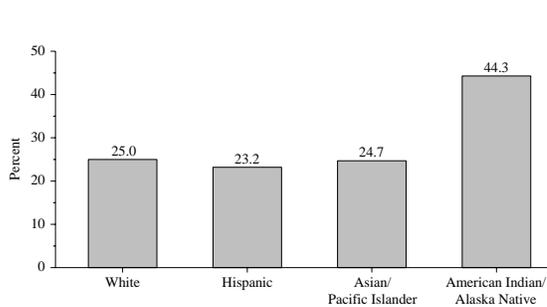
**Number of Alaska youth projected to die prematurely from their smoking: 17,999**

**Adult Tobacco Use in Alaska**

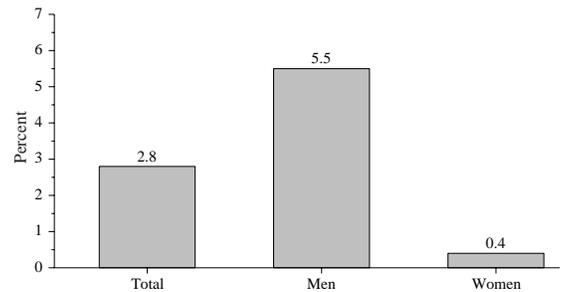
**Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults Aged 18 and Older, 1997**



**Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults by Race/Ethnicity, 1996-1997**



**Current Smokeless Tobacco Use Among Adults Aged 18+, 1995-1996**



**Health Impact and Costs**

<i>AVERAGE ANNUAL DEATHS RELATED TO SMOKING, 1991-1994</i>		<i>AVERAGE ANNUAL YEARS OF POTENTIAL LIFE LOST,* 1991-1994</i>	<i>MEDICAL COSTS RELATED TO SMOKING, 1993</i>	
Overall	421	7,228 years or an average of 17.2 years for each death due to smoking.	Ambulatory	\$23,720,000
Men	283		Hospital	\$32,800,000
Women	138		Nursing Home†	\$12,160,000
Death Rate	367/100,000		Drug	\$5,410,000
Rank	36	*Calculated to life expectancy	Other	\$14,350,000
(No. 1 is lowest death rate)			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$88,450,000</b>

†Preliminary estimates

**Youth Tobacco Use**

<i>CIGARETTE SMOKING AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9-12, 1997</i>	<i>SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9-12, 1997 (PAST MONTH)</i>
Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) data not available.	

**Alaska**

**Number of Alaska youth exposed to ETS in the home in 1996: 47,493**

**Tobacco Control Legislation, 1998**



**Minors' Access to Tobacco Products**

Minimum age for sale: 19

**Penalties:** Any person who sells to a minor will be fined \$300. Revocation/suspension of license for violation.

**Illegal for minors to:**

- Purchase** .....No
- Possess** .....Yes
- Use** .....No

**Restrictions on Vending Machines**

Vending machines must be located where minors cannot access them, and must be supervised.

**Signage**

Signs required on premises.

**Licensure**

Retail license and vending machine license required.

**Excise Tax**

- Cigarette tax per pack ..... \$1.00
- Rank = 1 (No. 1 is highest tax)
- Federal and state taxes as a percentage of retail price ..... 41.8%\*
- Annual gross tax revenue from cigarettes ..... \$14,379,771\*

**Smokeless tobacco tax:**

75% of the wholesale sales price.

\*Based on previous tax rate of 29¢ per pack.

**Advertising**

No restrictions

**State Preempts Local Laws**

No preemption

**Smokefree Indoor Air**

Site	Restrictions				Penalties	
	100% Smokefree	Designated smoking areas with separate ventilation	Designated smoking areas required or allowed	None	To businesses	To smokers
						
Government worksites			✓		✓	✓
Private worksites				✓		
Restaurants			✓		✓	✓
Day care centers	✓				✓	✓
Home-based day care	✓ †				✓	✓

†When children are present.

**Tobacco Economy**

**Cigarette Sales, 1997**

Number of packages sold and taxed, per capita ..... 81.7

**Tobacco Agriculture, 1997**

None

**Tobacco Manufacturing, 1996**

None

**Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program**

**Funding:** CDC IMPACT & RWJF/AMA SmokeLess States Program

**Regional Network:** Gulf, Western, and Pacific

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